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(C) We delivered reftel demarche August 7 to Turkish MFA Deputy Director General (DAS equivalent) for the Middle East Sakir Torunlar. Torunlar expressed guarded optimism, stressing that a cessation of hostilities was necessary for further progress. The draft was also positive in that it envisaged a buffer zone and focused on guaranteeing Lebanese sovereignty over its own territory, which he described as key to resolving the conflict. Torunlar, who appreciated the briefing, added that those governments whos countries were involved in the conflict had to agree to the resolution - whether or not thy were UNSC members - in order for the UN effrt to succeed.

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